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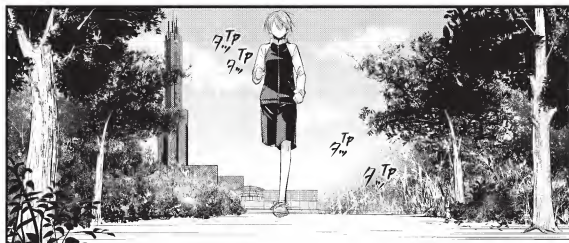
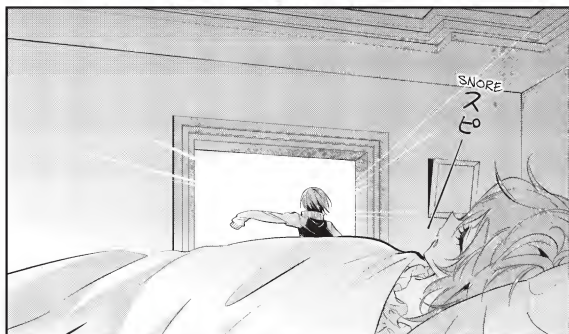
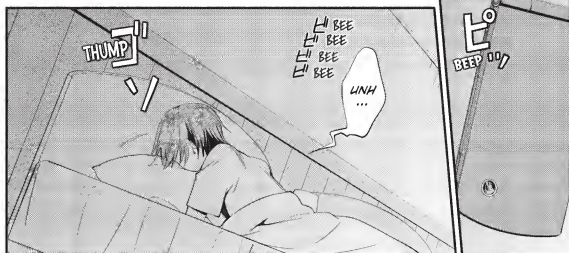
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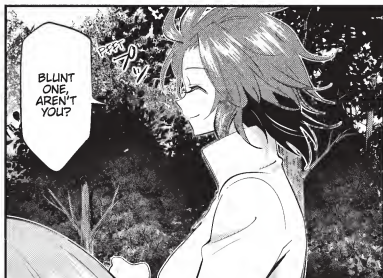
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Chapter 18

Trumpets of Benediction







BLUNT
ONE,
AREN'T
YOU?



WHY
IS SHE
HERE?

YOU
KNOW
...

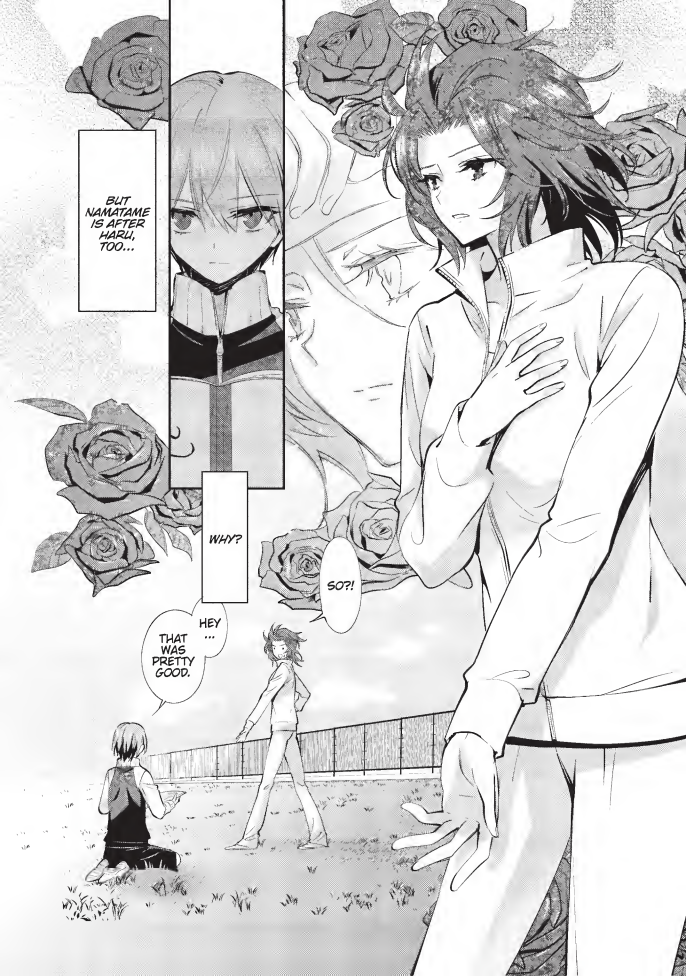
I
DIDN'T
THINK
WE'D
HAVE TO
PUT ON
A WHOLE
PLAY.



ATTENDANCE
ROSTER
NUMBER 9,
NAMATAME
CHITARU.

THE
ATMOSPHERE
AROUND HER
IS A LITTLE
DIFFERENT
FROM THE
OTHERS...





BUT
NAMATAME
IS AFTER
HARU,
TOO...

WHY?

SO?!

HEY
...
THAT
WAS
PRETTY
GOOD.



ALL
RIGHT...
LET ME
JUST
COME
OUT AND
SAY IT.

MY
TARGET'S
NOT
ICHINOSE,
SO YOU
DON'T HAVE
TO BE WARY
AROUND
ME.



STARE...



HM
HM.

BE
HONEST!
WHAT
DID YOU
THINK?

I'M
NOT
JUST
BEING
NICE.

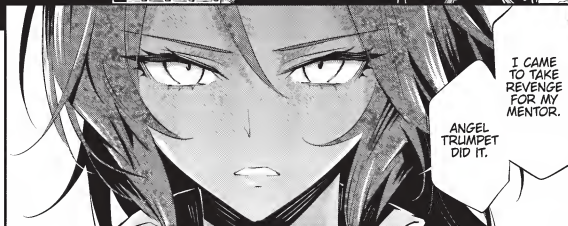
YOU
HAVE
A VERY
PRINCELY
FEEL
ABOUT
YOU.

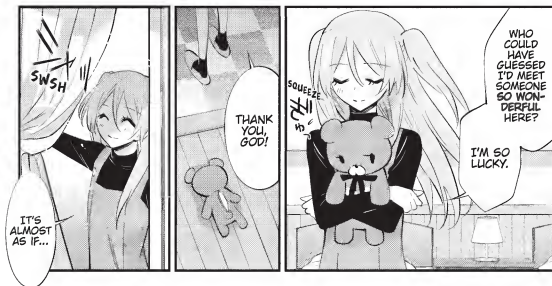
AZUMA,
ROMEO
ISN'T A
PRINCE.

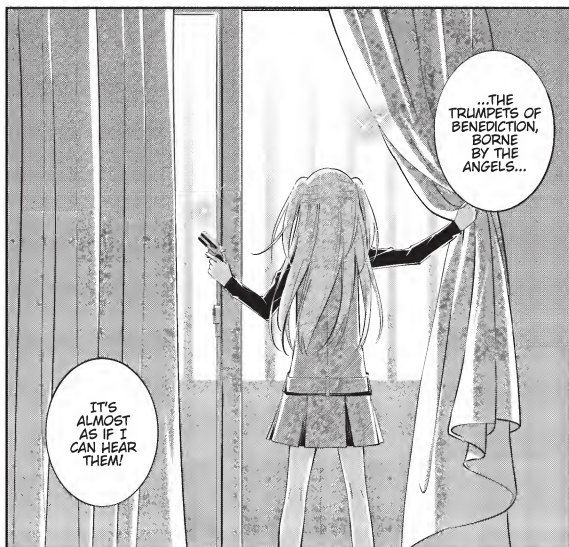


MAYBE
YOU KNOW
SINCE
YOU'RE
FROM 17
GAKUEN
...

BUT I'M
AFTER AN
ASSASSIN
CALLED
"ANGEL
TRUMPET."







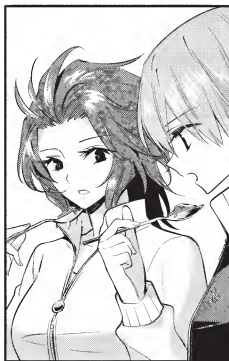
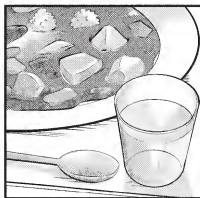
...THE
TRUMPETS OF
BENEDICTION,
BORNE
BY THE
ANGELS...

IT'S
ALMOST
AS IF I
CAN HEAR
THEM!



RIGHT
...

CHITARU-
SAN?



TOKAKU-
SAN'S
EATING
CURRY
AGAIN!

OH!



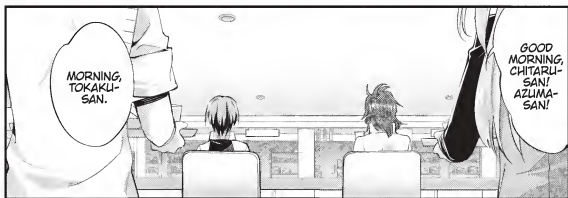
SO
TRUE!

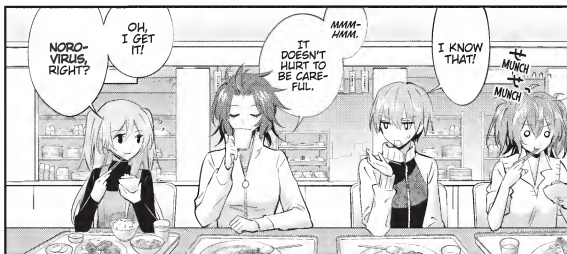
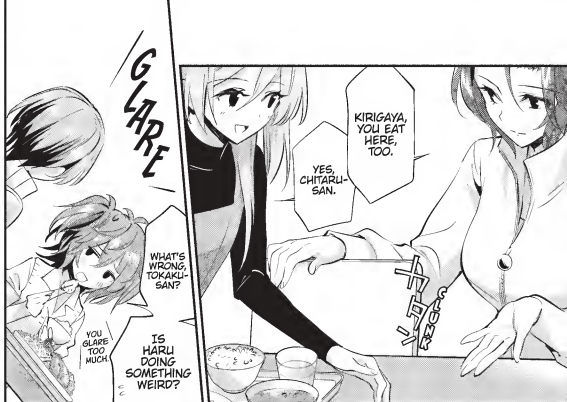
ODD
COUPLE,
AREN'T
THEY?

THUMP
THUMP



TOKAKU-
SAN AND
NAMATAME-
SAN?!





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Chapter 19

Precious Thing





AH
HA
HA!

HMM...

VERMIS
IS 3,000
YEN,
RIGHT?

HILA-
AARI-
OUS.
♥

DID IT
COST
ABOUT
1,000
YEN?

NOT
REALLY.
IT'S
CHEAP.

THIS IS
JUST A
CHANCE
TO TRY
OUT A NEW
COLOR.



HOW
POOR
ARE YOU,
ANYWAY?

IMPOS-
SIBLE?

3,000 YEN

IMPOS-
SIBLE
...

UGHH...

3,000.



HMM...

HOW
STUPID.
♥

I CAN'T
SPURGE.
I HAVE
A BIG
FAMILY.

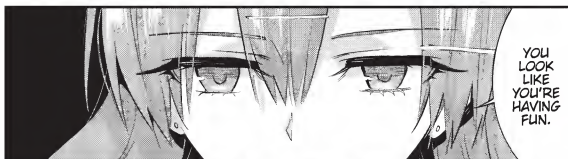
YOU'RE
SACRIFICING
YOURSELF
FOR THEM?

WHY
EVEN
BOTHR
DOING
SUCH A
SPECIALIZED
LINE OF
WORK?

SPOIL
YOURSELF
NOW AND
THEN, EVEN
IF IT COSTS
3,000
YEN...OR
WHATEVER.



I LOVE
MONEY.
♥

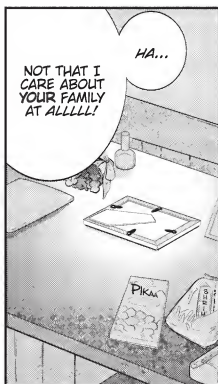


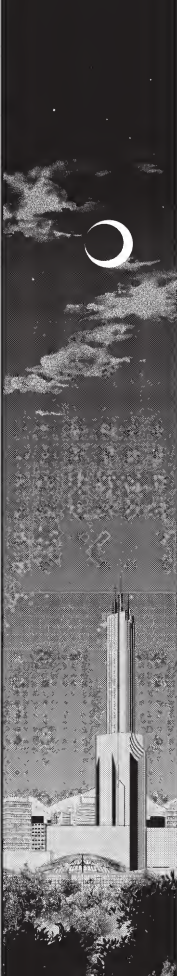
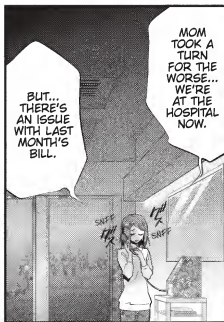


IS
THAT
SO?



I
WOULD DO
ANYTHING
FOR MY
FAMILY.
♥



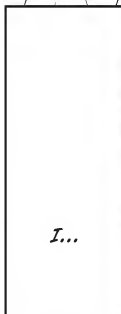




WHAT
ARE YOU
SAYING?
WE'RE
FAMILY,
AREN'T
WE?

IT'S
OKAY.
NEECHAN
IS HERE...

DON'T
WORRY
ABOUT
ANYTHING.



I...



YEAH.

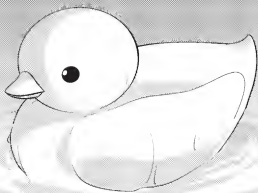
SEE
YA.

FRIENDS?
SCHOOL
FESTIVALS?
ALL LIES.



I
KNEW IT
FROM
THE
START...

PEEP
~o~
~o~



OOOH!
BIG BATHS
ARE WON-
DERFUL,
AREN'T
THEY?



OH!
SHOULD
HARU
WASH
YOUR
BACK?

WHA-
AAT?
JUST A
LITTLE
MORE!

BUT
THAT'S...
DON'T
BE SO
UPTIGHT!

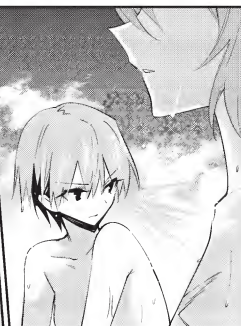
NO.

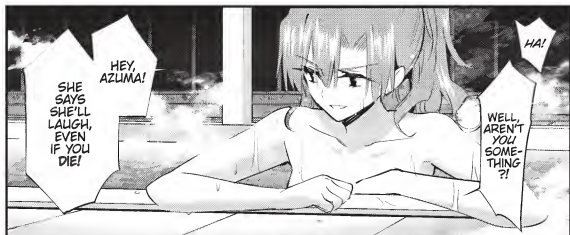


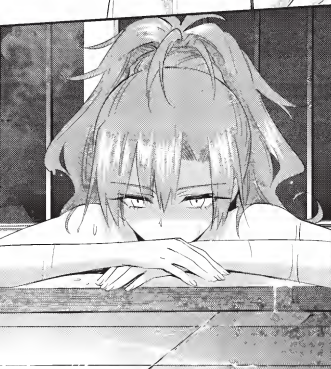
DON'T
GET TOO
EXCITED.
WE
SHOULD
HURRY,
BEFORE
SOMEONE
COMES...

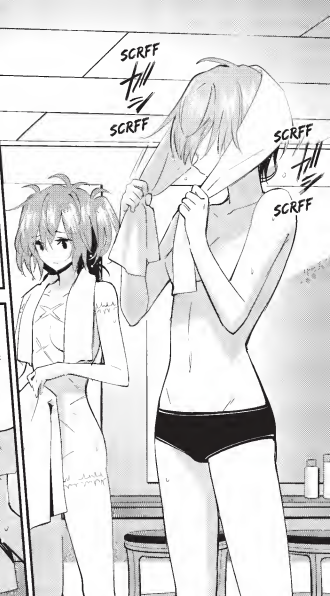
THINK
FAST!
TO-
KAKU-
SAN!



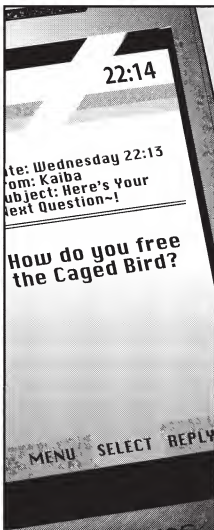
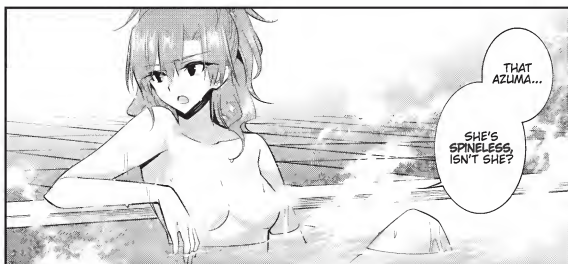








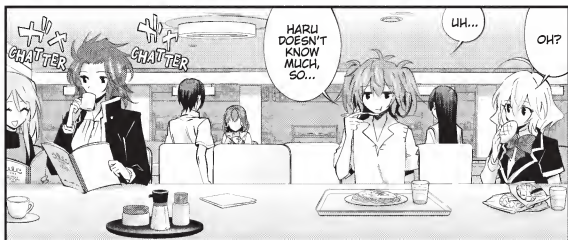


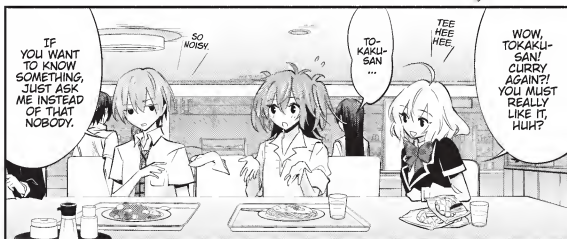
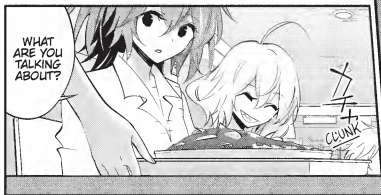


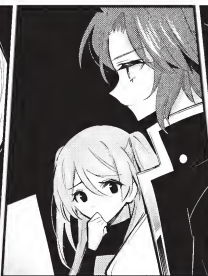
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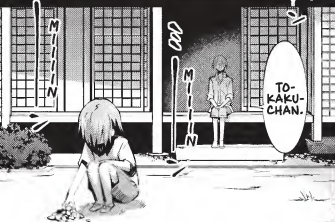
Chapter 20

Caged Bird









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MAYBE
WE SHOULD
LEAVE THIS
PLACE...



AND
GO LIVE
WITH YOUR
AUNTIES?

YOU
WOULDN'T
HAVE TO
TRAIN
ANYMORE.

I'M SURE
THAT'S
WHAT YOUR
SISTER
WOULD'VE
WANTED!



IT'S
REALLY
FUN IN
TOWN. YOU
CAN GO TO
SCHOOL,
MAKE
FRIENDS
...

EAT
CANDY,
READ
BOOKS,
WATCH
MOVIES...



TO-
KAKU-
CHAN
...





A
BLEMISH
ON THE
AZUMA
NAME.

OKA-
SA--

AH!

DON'T
SPEAK
OF SUCH
NONSENSE.

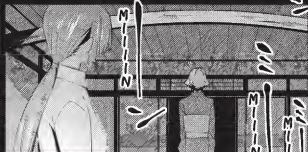


YOU'RE IN
NO POSITION
TO SPEAK TO
THE HEIR OF
THE AZUMA
FAMILY.

IF
YOU'RE
DONE
PAYING
RESPECTS
TO THE
DEAD, THEN
RETURN
TO YOUR
MUNDANE
LIFE.



OH.











I
DON'T
CARE.

I TOOK
OUT MY
OWN
STRESS
ON YOU
TWO.

SORRY
ABOUT
LAST
NIGHT.

AHH,
ANOTHER
PEACEFUL
DAY...



NO...

Sign: Kinselsai



HARU-CHAN
SHOULD
REALLY BE
WITH THEM,
HUH?



HEY,
AZUMA...

NOT
JUST
HARU-
CHAN...

NOBODY
IS HERE
BECAUSE
THEY
WANTED
TO COME,
YOU
KNOW.



DON'T
YOU EVER
THINK ABOUT
SETTING
HARU-CHAN
FREE...?



FROM
EVERY-
THING
THAT'S
TYING
HER
DOWN?

BECAUSE
WE CAN.



WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN?!

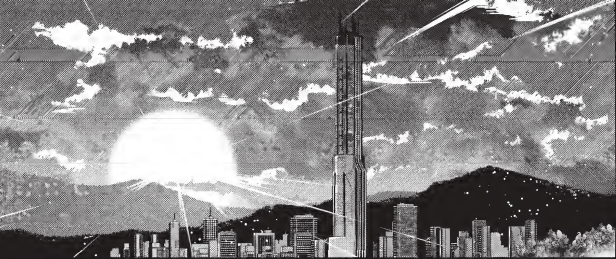


I'LL
BE
WAIT-
ING.



TONIGHT
AT TEN.
HERE.

I'LL
GO INTO
DETAIL
THEN.





SUCH A
WASTE
OF
TIME...

LIFE'S
TOO
SHORT,
YOU
KNOW?



ISUKE
...

OUR
TIME'S BEEN
BRIEF, BUT
THANKS FOR
EVERYTHING.



OH MY.
♥
HOW
SCAR-
YYY.

IS IT
YOUR
TURN
TONIGHT?

BEST
TO CUT
ANY EXTRA
BAGGAGE
LOOSE AND
BE FREE.
♥

IGNORING
MY ADVICE,
THEN?

HMM
...

SLAM

BUT OF
COURSE!

CREAK

MAKE
SURE YOU
TREASURE
YOUR
FAMILY...
OKAY?

ZAA

HARUKI-
SAN'S
REWARD
...

GOT IT.
MONEY TO
SUPPORT
YOUR FAMILY
FOR THE REST
OF THEIR
LIVES...



Chapter 21: Baby Pink I Had Always Wanted



...AND THE
BABY PINK
NAIL POLISH
I'D ALWAYS
WANTED.



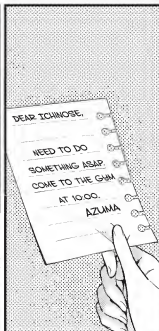
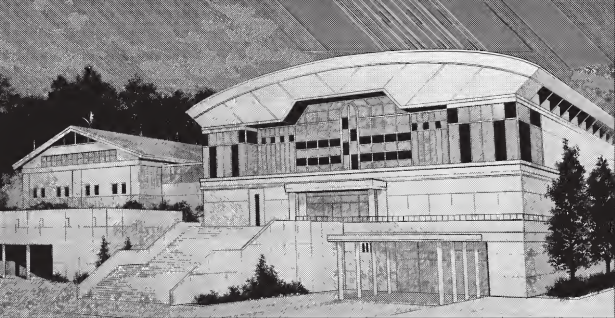
WHAT I
BOUGHT WITH
THE REWARD FOR
THE FIRST PERSON
I KILLED WAS A
TABLE FULL OF MY
FAMILY'S SMILES...

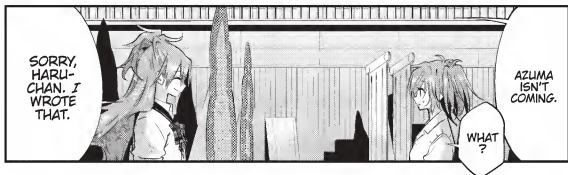
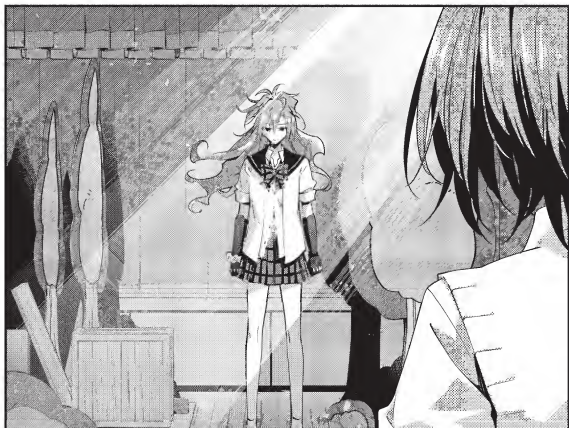
BUT I
ALREADY
KNEW IT
WOULDN'T
LOOK GOOD
ON ME.

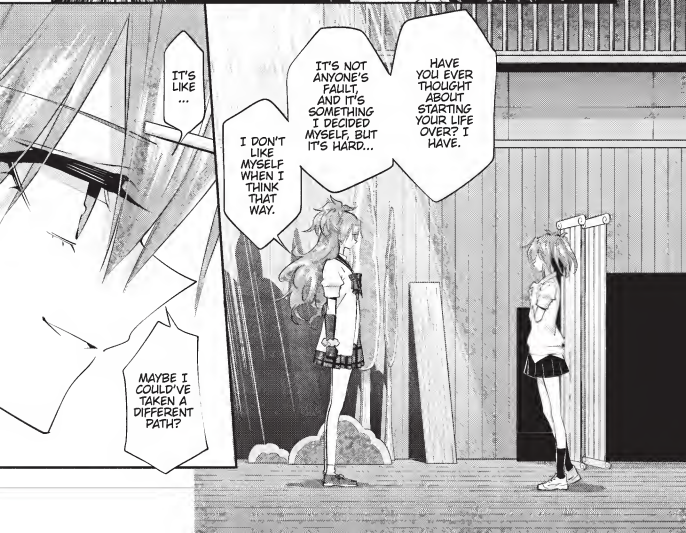


Chapter 21

Baby Pink I Had Always Wanted









HMPH.

THIS
ISN'T
ME,
HUH?



HA-
RUKI-
SAN...



BUT
THAT'S
...

YOU COULD
DO THINGS
OVER AT
ANY TIME,
HARUKI-
SAN...

YOU
COULD
EVEN
START
NOW.

IT'S
TOO
LATE
NOW!



I WANT
A FRESH
START!

BUT
THAT'S
IMPOS-
SIBLE!

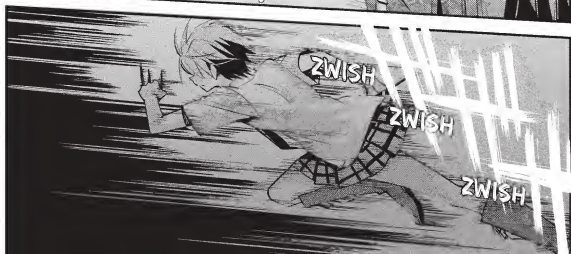
GRPP



BUT IT'S
IMPOSSIBLE.

THANKS,
HARU-
CHAN.







I DIDN'T LIE.

AND YOU?



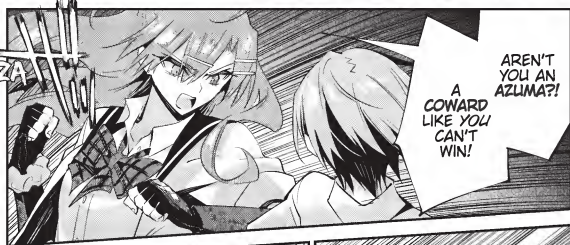
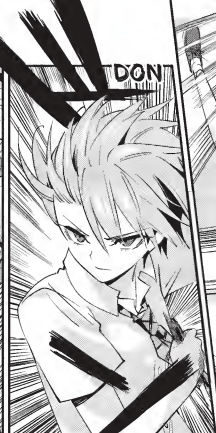
THAT HURT!

YOU WEREN'T GOING TO MEET ME, WERE YOU?

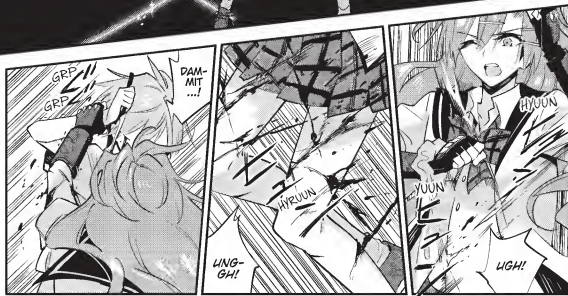
I CAME TO FREE HARU-CHAN.

THIS IS THE ONLY WAY TO RELEASE HER.













I THOUGHT
THIS JOB
WOULD BE
OVER BEFORE
THE SET
WAS DONE.



I
HAVE NO
CHOICE
...

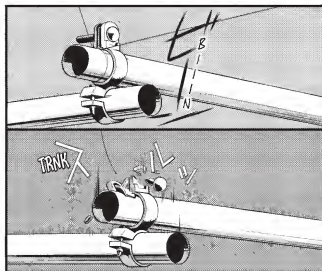
I'VE
BETRAYED
EVERYONE
THEN, TOO.

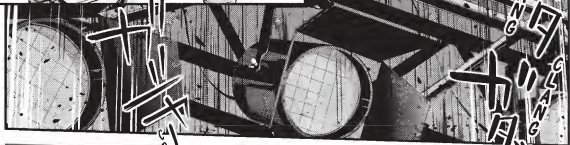
BUT TO
GO ON!

IF YOU
WANT TO
START
OVER,
THEN LET'S
START
NOW!

WE
CAN DO
IT TO-
GETHER!

DRAG
!!!

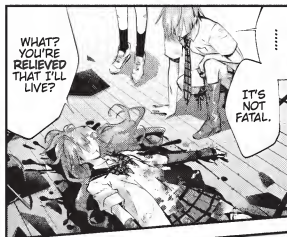


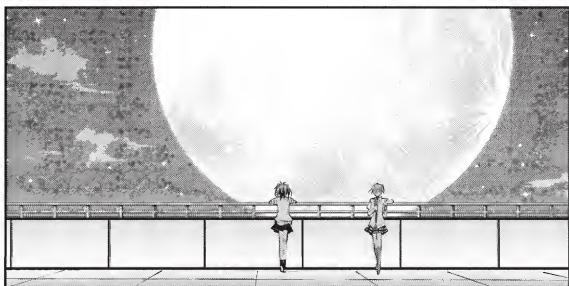
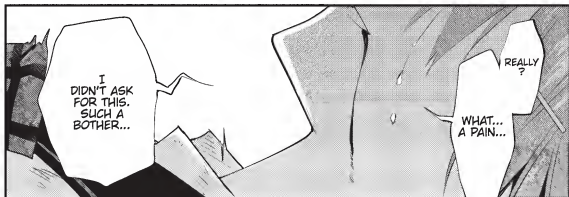




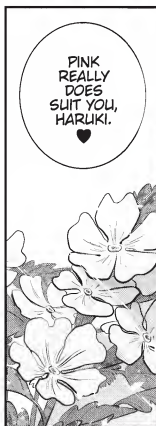
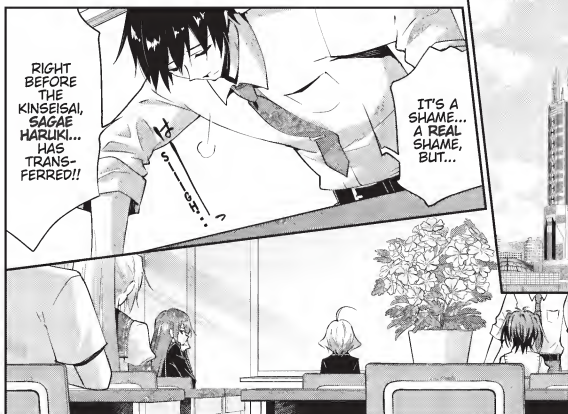
I CAN'T
HANDLE IT
ANYMORE
...











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Chapter 22

Hunter and Hunted





WHAT
DO
YOU
THINK?



I UNDER-
STAND.
CHITARI-
SAN IS WON-
DER-
FUL!

HEE
HEE

WHAT'S
WRONG?

THUMP
THUMP
THUMP

NOTH-
ING...



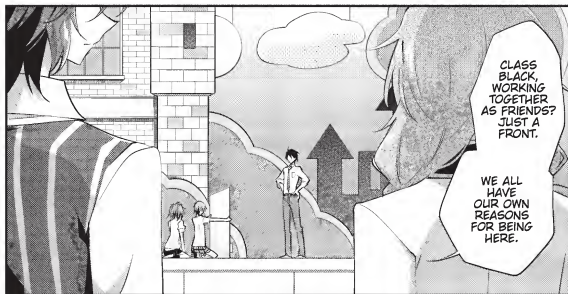
WHAT?

AH...

Y-
YOU'RE
GOOD
...!

HOW
DO I
LOOK AS
ROMEO?





CLASS
BLACK,
WORKING
TOGETHER
AS FRIENDS?
JUST A
FRONT.

WE ALL
HAVE
OUR OWN
REASONS
FOR BEING
HERE.



THAT IS
MY OWN
BRAND OF
SINCERITY.

I'M COLD
BLOODED,
YOU
KNOW.

I DO
WHAT I
HAVE TO
DO!

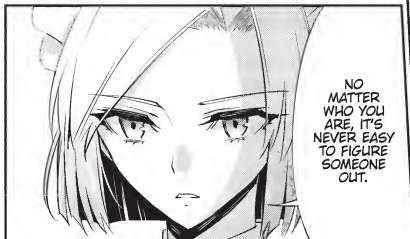


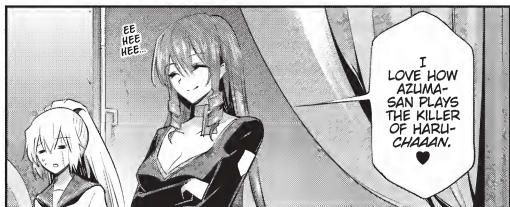
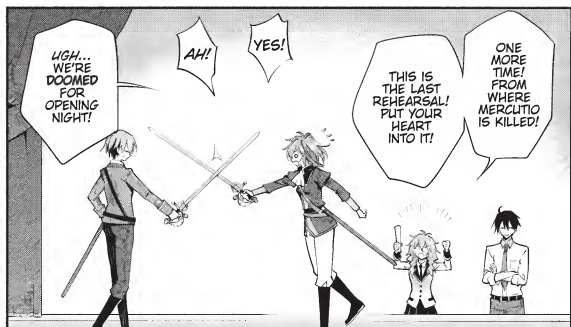
KENMO-
CHI...



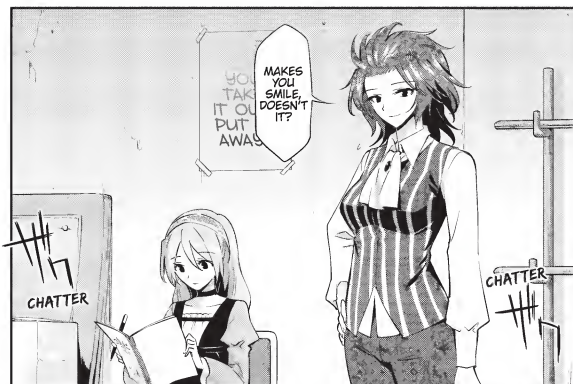
BUT THE
KIND OF
SINCERITY
THAT KILLS
IS WRONG.

I WON'T
ASK WHAT
HAPPENED
...

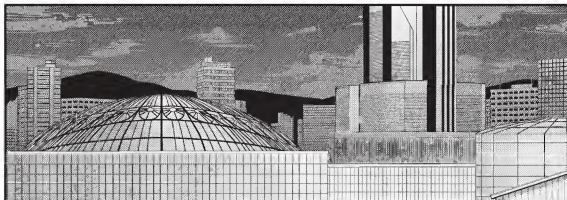




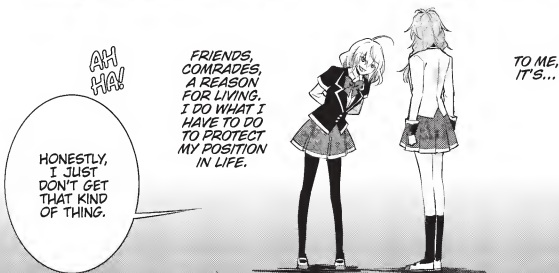














Yep, but in return

19:32

You have to take revenge for someone else.

"THEY SAY THERE'S A GROUP CALLED 'SHIUDAN GEKOU.' THEY WILL TAKE REVENGE FOR YOU, SHIENA-CHAN."

I HATE IT... WHY DOES THIS HAPPEN TO ME? WHAT'S SO WRONG WITH ME?

"THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH YOU, SHIENA-CHAN!"

"THE BULLIES ARE THE ONES WHO'RE WRONG!"

REALLY?

It's nothing! I told you, Shiena-chan. Bullies are the ones who're wrong!

Thank you! That's so kind of you!
Reply 19:29

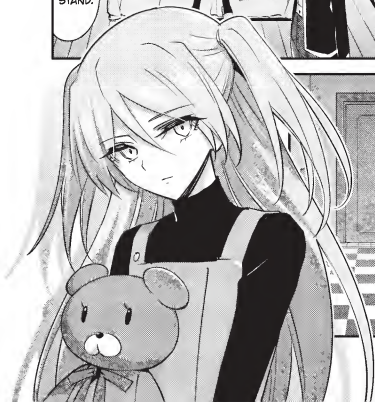
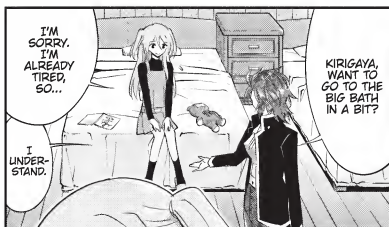
I'm so glad I got to meet you, Yukari... I've never met you, but we're good friends!!
(24)

I'll do it.

"YEP, BUT IN RETURN ..."

Shiena-chan, do you want to take revenge?

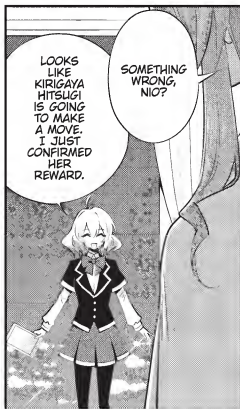
BLEEP



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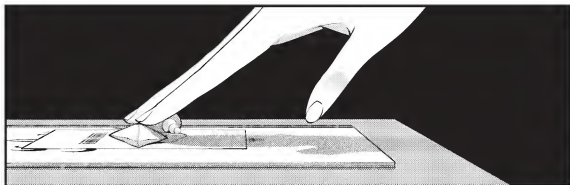
Unforgivable





ICHINOSE HARU-SAN





WHEW!



AH
HA!

THANK
YOU FOR
YOUR
HARD
WORK.

YOU,
TOO,
SHIENA-
CHAN!

ICHI-
NOSE
...



THANK
YOU FOR
YOUR
CHARRED
WOK!

IT'S FUN
WORKING
ON A PLAY
TOGETHER,
ISN'T IT?

BUT...
HARU HAS
ONE THING
THAT SHE
ISN'T HAPPY
ABOUT WITH
MIZOROGI-
SENSEI!

AFTER
ALL...



...ISN'T
ROMEO
AND JULIET
TOO SAD A
STORY?

THAT'S
OKAY
AND ALL,
BUT...

THAT'S
TRUE!
BUT...
IT'S STILL
SAD, YOU
KNOW?

HARU...

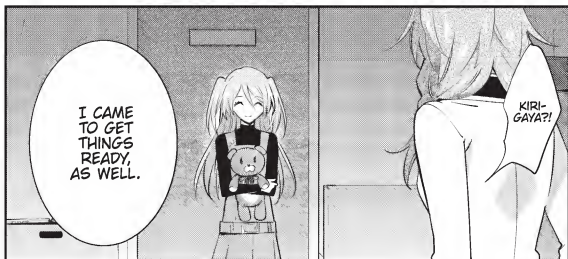
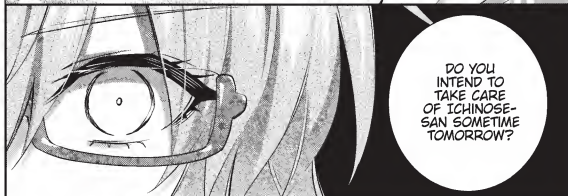
IT'S A
BEAUTIFUL
STORY,
ISN'T IT?

THE
TARGETS,
THOSE
PEOPLE...I
DIDN'T GET
CLOSE
TO THEM
BECAUSE I
DIDN'T WANT
TO KNOW
ANYTHING.
NOTHING.

IN
THE
END
...

IT'LL BE
OVER AND
I WON'T
KNOW
A THING
ABOUT
ICHINOSE
HARU.





AFTER ALL,
THE SCALE
AND LEVEL
IS DIFFERENT
FROM YOUR
ORGANIZATION.

OH,
YOU DON'T
KNOW
ABOUT
DATURA? I
SHOULD'VE
KNOWN.

REA-
DY?

YOU
?!

AFTER
ALL,
I'M A
MEMBER
OF
DATURA.

THAT'S
RIGHT.

SHULDAN
GEKOU IS A
BUNCH OF
BULLIED KIDS,
RIGHT?

YOU
THINK
SO?

WHAT
ABOUT YOU,
DECEIVING
NAMA-
TAME?

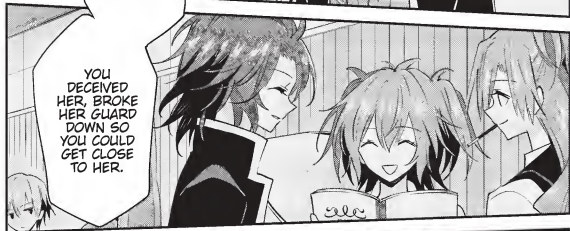
EVEN IF
THE WEAK
UNITE,
THEY ARE
STILL
WEAK.

HEE
HEE

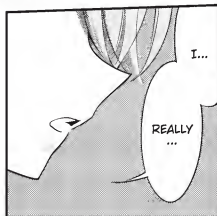


NAMATAME
IS ALSO A
DIFFERENT
TYPE OF
PERSON
THAN
ICHINOSE.

NAMATAME
IS
DIFFERENT
FROM
US...



YOU
DECEIVED
HER, BROKE
HER GUARD
DOWN SO
YOU COULD
GET CLOSE
TO HER.



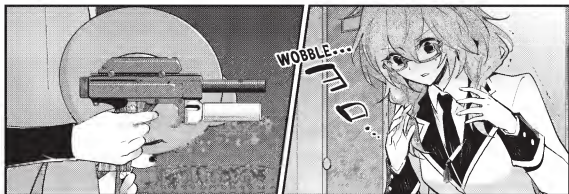
I...

REALLY
...



I HAVEN'T
DECEIVED
HER.





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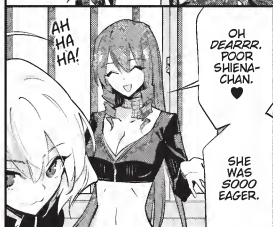
Don't Worry



IT
SEEMS
SHE
SUDDENLY
TOOK ILL.

KENMO-
CHI WAS
HOSPITAL-
IZED LAST
NIGHT.

EVERYONE,
SETTLE
DOWN. I
HAVE SOME
BAD NEWS.



AH
HA
HA!

OH
DEARRR.
POOR
SHIENA-
CHAN.
♥

SHE
WAS
SOOO
EAGER.

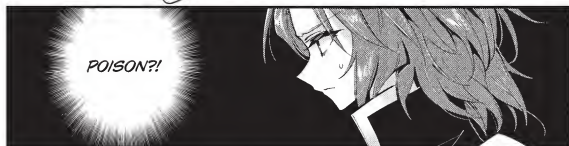
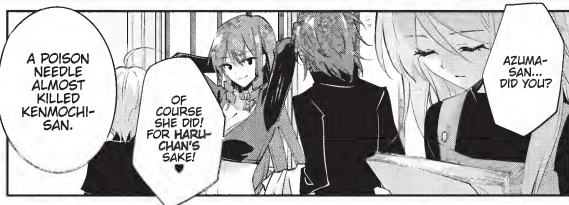


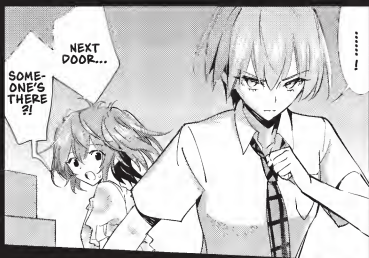
AZUMA-SAN,
COULDN'T
YOU HAVE
WAITED UNTIL
AFTER THE
PLAY?



IT'S
A REAL
SHAME.
TODAY
IS THE
FOUNDING
ANNIVERSARY
FESTIVAL,
BUT...

LET'S
PERSEVERE
TOGETHER!
FOR
KENMOCHI'S
SAKE!!





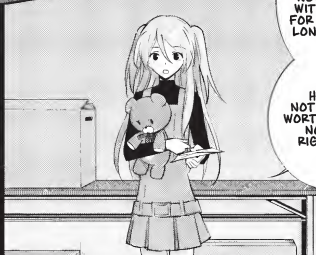


HANG
IN
THERE!

U
N
G
H...



ICHI-
NOSE-
SAN.



SHE MAY
NOT BE
WITH US
FOR MUCH
LONGER.

HER
NOTICE IS
WORTHLESS
NOW,
RIGHT?

KENMOCHI-
SAN
INTENDED
TO SEND
HERS,
BUT...

THIS
IS MY
WARN-
ING
NOTICE.



YOU'RE
...

ANGEL
TRUMPET.



BEEN
POISON-
ED!

!!

SHIENA-
CHAN'S
...



BECAUSE
SHE WAS
IN THE
WAY.



YOU
DESERVE
CHITARU'S
VEN-
GEANCE!



WHY
STOOP
SO
LOW?

WHY
...?



YOU
HID THE
WEAPON
IN YOUR
BEAR...

SUCH A
DISGRACE.



PLEASE,
DON'T TELL
CHITARU-
SAN.



IF CHITARU-
SAN STOPS
LIKING ME,
I'LL DIE.

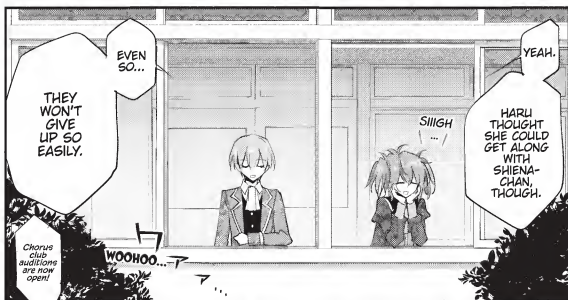


IF IT
BOTHERS
YOU,
THROW IT
AWAY.

CHATTER



SIIGH...



THEY
WON'T
GIVE
UP SO
EASILY.

EVEN
SO...

YEAH.

SIIGH
...

HARU
THOUGHT
SHE COULD
GET ALONG
WITH
SHIENA-
CHAN,
THOUGH.

Chorus
club
auditions
are now
open!

WOOHOO...~



HAVE
YOU GIVEN
UP ON
HARU?

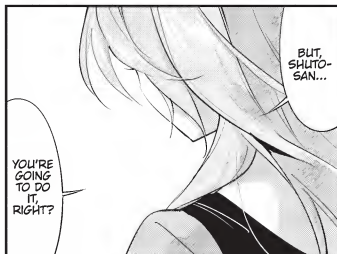


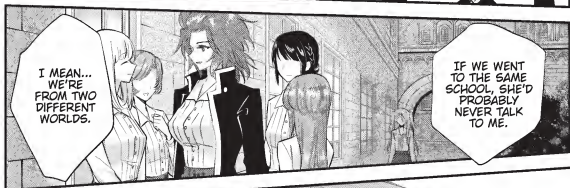
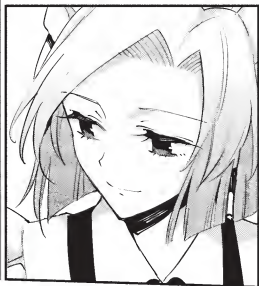
TRUE.

WHAT
ABOUT
YOU,
TOKAKU-
SAN?

PAPA-PAPA-
ZOOO...

Be
sure
to
sign
up!







WOW,
ROMEO
AND JULIET.

DO
KNOW...

I REALLY...



WHAT
CHITARU-
SAN WANTS
THE MOST.



BE-
CAUSE
...

PERSON-
ALLY, I
THINK THE
STORY...

IS BEAUTI-
FUL.



CLENCH...

ONLY I CAN
GRANT HER
WISH...



THEY'RE
BOTH IN
LOVE FOR
THE FIRST
TIME.

TO
DEFEAT
ANGEL
TRUMPET.



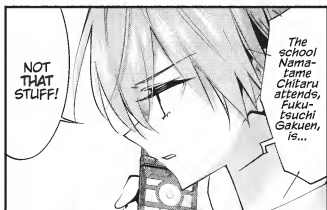
HOW
YA DOIN'?
DOIN' GOOD?

YO,
TOKAKU!
THIS IS
NEW! YOU'
CALLING
ME?



NO
CONSID-
ERATION,
HUH?
SHOWS
WHAT A
KID YOU
ARE.

I'M BUSY
GRADING
TESTS,
YOU
KNOW.



NOT
THAT
STUFF!

The
school
Nama-
tame
Chitaru
attends,
Fuku-
tsuchi
Gakuen,
is...



WHY
NAMATAME
CAME
HERE.
STUFF
LIKE
THAT...

Then
what
stuff
?!

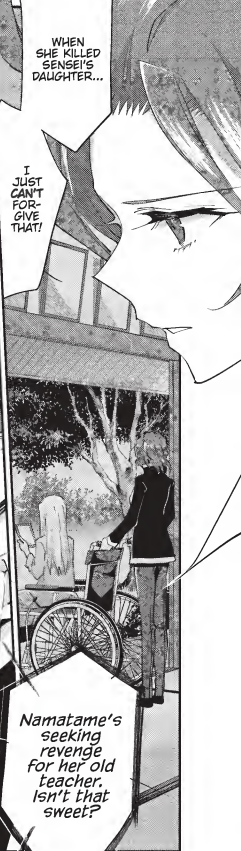
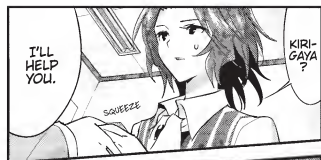
LIKE,
REASONS
...



I WANT
INFO ON
NAMATAME.

yeah,
sure,
just
ignore
my
greeting.





I'll help you.

KIRI-GAYA?

SQUEEE

SHE PROBABLY GOT KEN MOCHI.

I CAN'T HELP BUT THINK... AZUNA? ICHINOSE? SOMEONE ELSE?

DON'T WORRY.

THAT PERSON PROBABLY HAD NO REASON.

SHE'S LIKELY BEYOND REDEMPTION.

LET'S KILL HER.

KIRI-GAYA?

I WILL MAKE SURE YOU KILL HER, CHITARU-SAN.

THAT'S RIGHT.

UNFORGIVABLE!

WHY WOULD ANGEL TRUMPET DO THAT?

FOR SOMEONE ELSE?

NOT AS A JOB? JUST FOR JUSTICE?

WHEN SHE KILLED SENSEI'S DAUGHTER...

I JUST CAN'T FORGIVE THAT!

You got it~!

HOW STUPID!

Maybe!

HA HA HA!

I WILL NEVER FORGIVE HER....!

Namatame's seeking revenge for her old teacher. Isn't that sweet?



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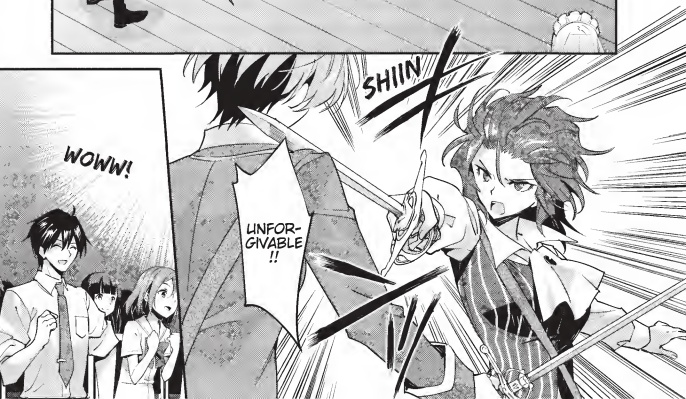
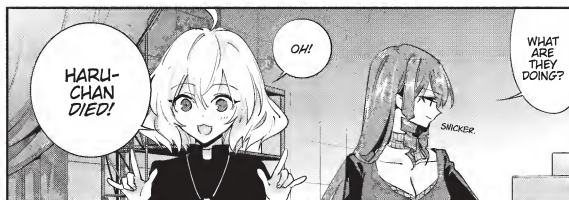
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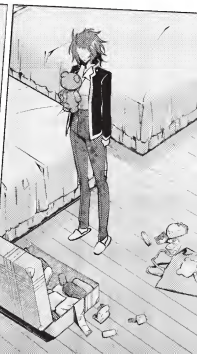
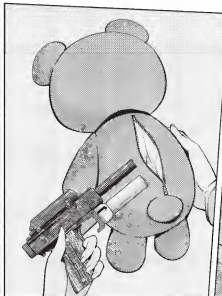
Justice or Love



WHAT
IS WITH
THOSE
TWO?
♥









IT'S
MY
JOB.

KIRI-
GAYA...
IT CAN'T
BE...

DID
YOU
REALLY
...

WE'RE ALL
THE SAME
IN CLASS
BLACK...
EXCEPT
YOU.



LIFE IS
PRECIOUS,
DAMNIT!!



I'M
SORRY!



EVEN
IF IT IS
YOU,
KIRI-
GAYA...
IT'S UNFOR-
GIVABLE.

CHITARU-
SAN, I'M
SORRY.
PLEASE
DON'T
SUFFER
BECAUSE
OF ME.

SQUEEZE



IF SHE
WAS YOUR
FRIEND, I
WOULDN'T
HAVE SHOT
HER.

IF I HAD
KNOWN, I
WOULDN'T
HAVE DONE
IT.



IT'S NO
GOOD...

I CAN'T
FORGIVE
YOU!



I
WANT THE
REWARD
TO GO TO
YOU IF I
KILL HARU-
CHAN.

CHI-
TARU-
SAN...

I PUT
OUT A
WARNING
NOTICE.



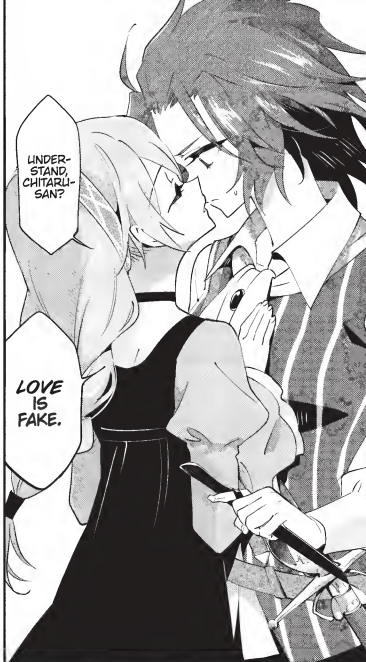
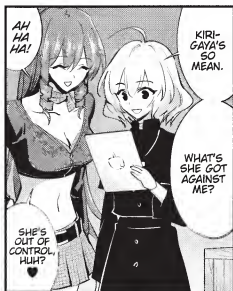
MAYBE
THIS'LL
ALL WORK
OUT IN
THE END?

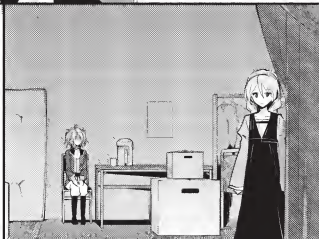
I DIDN'T
REALLY
THINK THIS
THROUGH.

KIRI-
GAYA
....!

HAVE
YOU
LEARNED
NOTHING?!









I MADE
A BET.

PLEASE
SEE IT
THROUGH
FOR ME.



AND
CHOOSE
A SNAKE
LIKE ME,
OR NOT?





SEE IF
TWO PEOPLE
WHO ARE
COMPLETELY
DIFFERENT CAN
BE TOGETHER.

IT'LL BE
A GOOD
CASE STUDY
FOR YOU,
SO PLEASE
WATCH...



WE'RE
ALIKE,
AREN'T
WE?

CHITARU-
SAN AND I.
AZUMA-SAN
AND YOU.
BOTH ARE
PAIRS OF
LIGHT AND
SHADOWS.



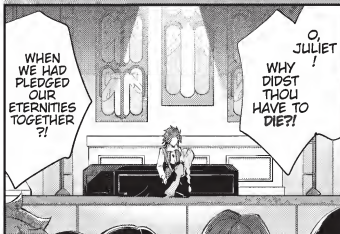
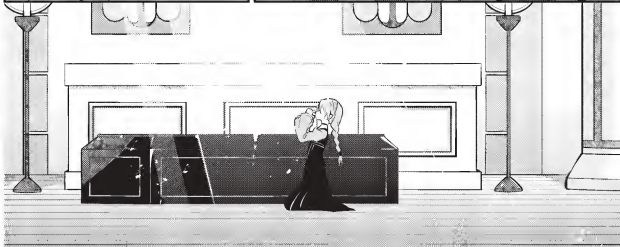
I'M
ON!

WISH
ME
LUCK!

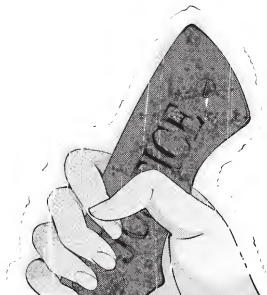


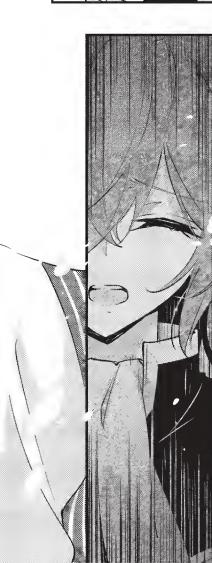
CHITARU-
SAN IS
PERFECT.

BUT,
UNLIKE
YOU, I'M NOT
TRYING TO
CONTROL
AND CHANGE
THE OTHER
PERSON.









CHATTER

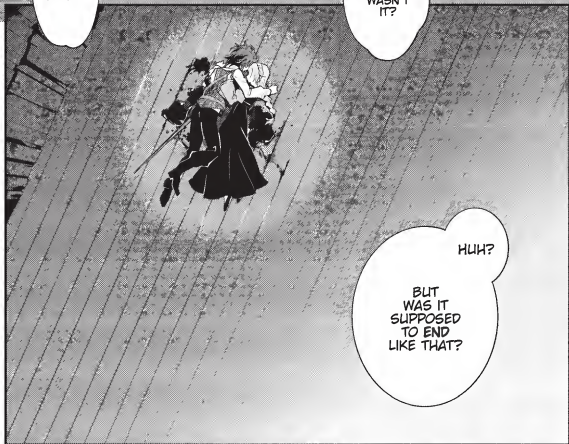
IT WAS
GOOD.

CHATTER

CHATTER

I
CRIED!

THAT
WAS FUN,
WASN'T
IT?



HUH?

BUT
WAS IT
SUPPOSED
TO END
LIKE THAT?

DOUBLE
SUICIDES
ARE
ROMANTIC,
AREN'T
THEY?

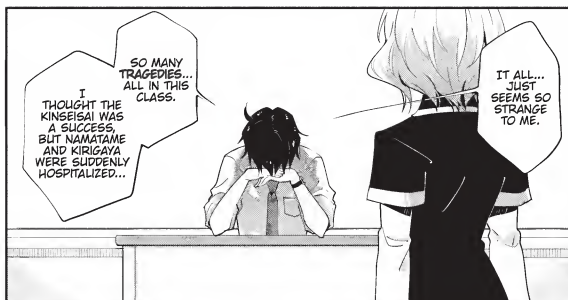
I DON'T
KNOW, BUT
IT WAS
BEAUTIFUL.

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Chapter 26

Water Game





D-DON

I SUG-
GEST...

YOU
STOP
DIGGING
AND
ASKING
QUES-
TIONS.

WHATEVER
HAPPENS,
JUST
STICK
TO YOUR
ROLE!!

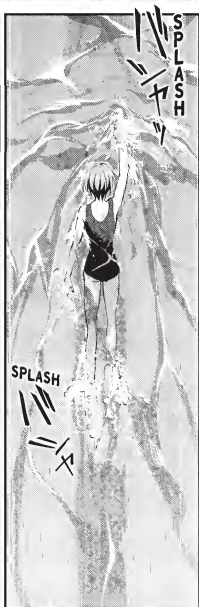
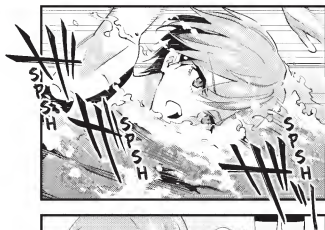
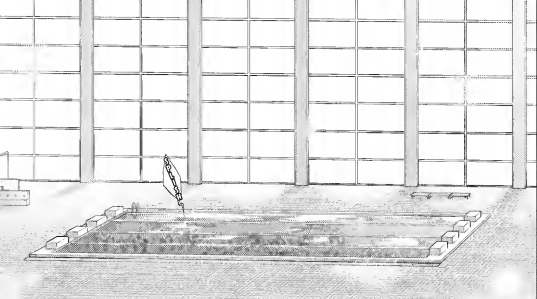


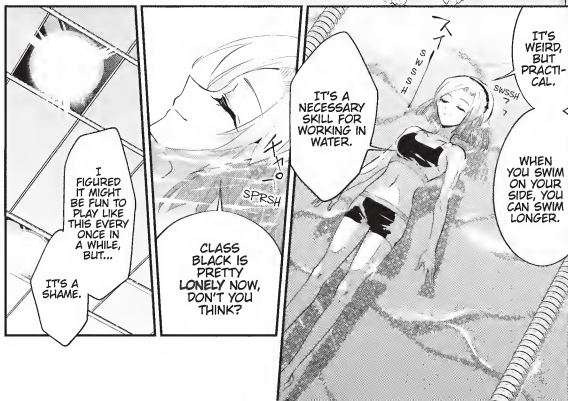
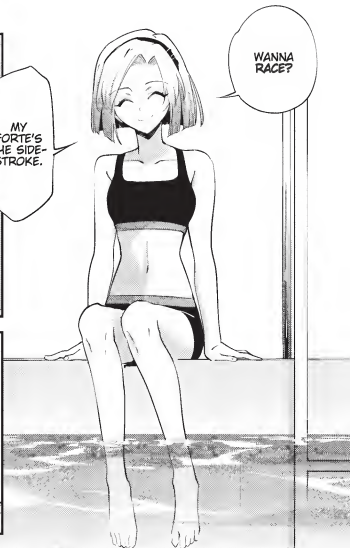
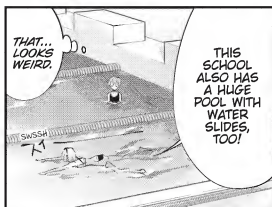
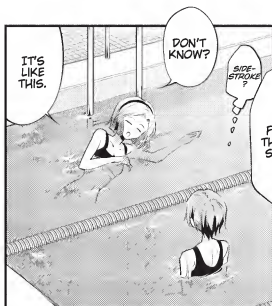
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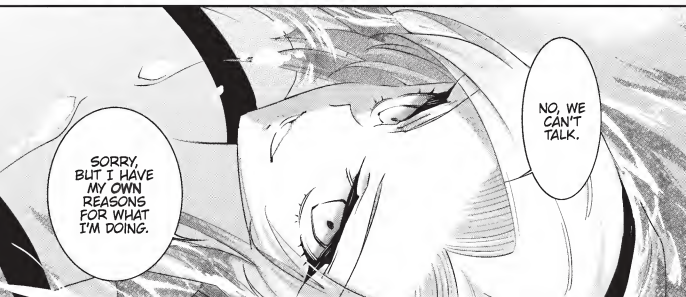
NGH
--!!

THAT'S
JUST FINE.
THAT'S
YOUR ROLE,
RIGHT?

MIZOROGI-
SENSEI IS A
GOOPY, EASY-
GOING TYPE OF
TEACHER.









OH DEAR.
♥
YOU ACTUALLY
READ
THOSE,
SHUTO-
SAN?

OH,
INUKAI.
PERFECT
TIMING.

WHICH
ONE
CATCHES
YOUR
EYE?

AND THIS
ONE FOR
ICHI-
NOSE?

NO
WAY, TOO
MUCH.
SIMPLE
ONES
ARE
CUTE.

A
BIKINI,
OF
COURSE.
♥

WHAAAT?
ME?

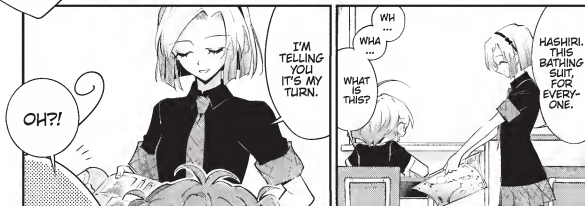


I'M
POSITIVE
THAT
BANBA-SAN
WOULD LOOK
LOVELY IN A
SWIMSUIT!

SOME-
THING
WITH A
NAME
TAG
ON IT
WOULD
BE
BEST.



DOES
BANBA-
SAN ALSO
DESIRE A
SWIMSUIT
?







SORRY,
BRUTE
FORCE
ISN'T MY
STYLE...

SO,
WHY NOT
PLAY A
LITTLE
GAME?



AND
ICHINOSE
HARU IS
SAFE.



IF YOU
INPUT THE
PASSWORD
TO RELEASE
THE LOCK,
THEN...

I
LOSE
...



IT'S NOT
POWERFUL,
BUT IT'S
DANGEROUS
AROUND
YOUR NECK.



GAME
!?!
GLARE

THAT
COLLAR
WILL
EXPLODE
AT MID-
NIGHT.

HINT 2:
"ONE IS IN
THE WATER,
IN EXCHANGE
FOR
SOMETHING
PRECIOUS."

HOWEVER,
ONLY
THREE
ATTEMPTS
ARE
ALLOWED.

THE
PASS-
WORD IS
A FOUR
DIGIT
NUMBER.

AFTER
THREE
INCORRECT
ATTEMPTS,
THE DEVICE
WILL
EXPLODE.

HINT 3:
"IN THE
DARKNESS,
A VOICE
SHALL
LEAD THE
WAY."

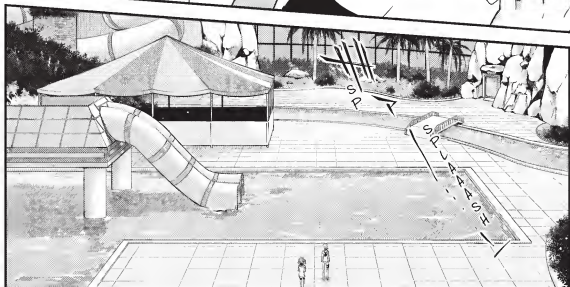
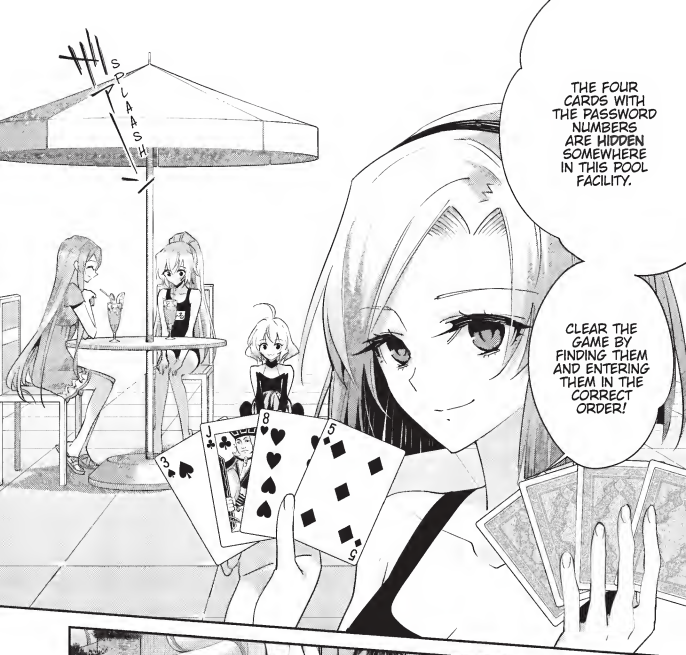
HINT 4:
"IN THE LIGHT,
BEFORE IT IS
TOO BRIGHT
AND ONE CAN
NO LONGER
SEE."

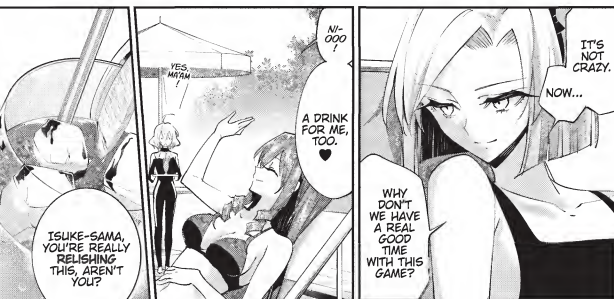
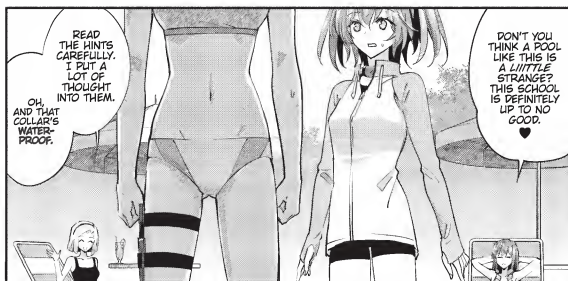
THERE
YOU GO.

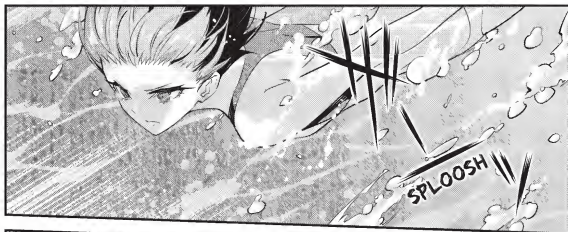
SO...

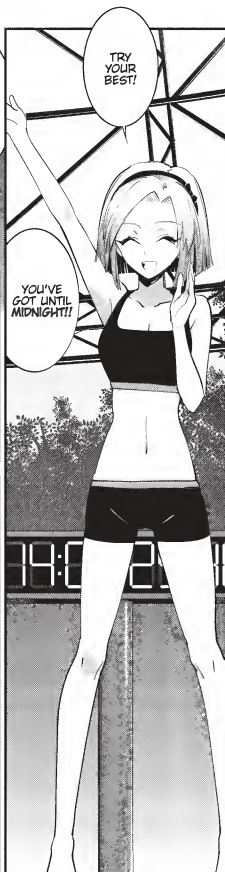
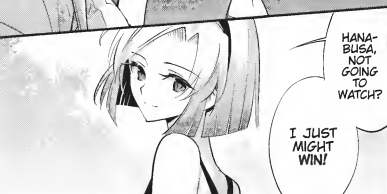
HINT 1:
"ONE IS IN
THE FOREST,
IN A PERFECT
PLACE TO
HIDE."













YOU
KNOW
SOME-
THING,
DON'T
YOU?

NOT TO
CHANGE THE
SUBJECT, BUT
WANT TO
PLAY *SUIKA
WARI*?



THIS CLASS
ALREADY HAS
GAME-LIKE
RULES, LIKE
THE WARNING
NOTICES...

NOW IT'S
LITERAL.



WELL, IT'D
BE BORING
IF IT WERE
ALL BLOODY
BATTLES,
RIGHT?



DON'T YOU
THINK SO,
BANBA-
SAN?

*SUIKA
WARI*
LOOKS LIKE
A GREAT
DEAL OF
FUN, DOES
IT NOT?



OH
MY.

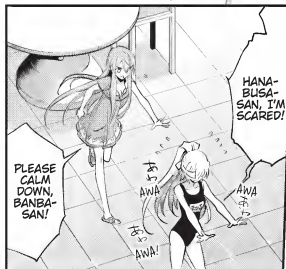
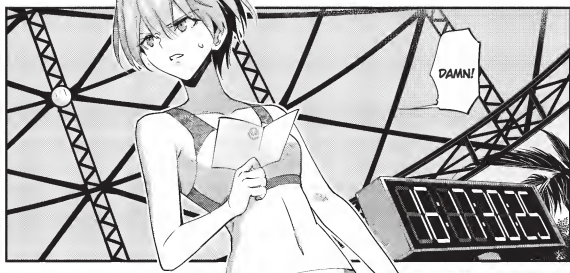


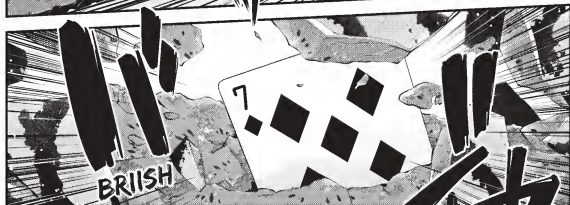
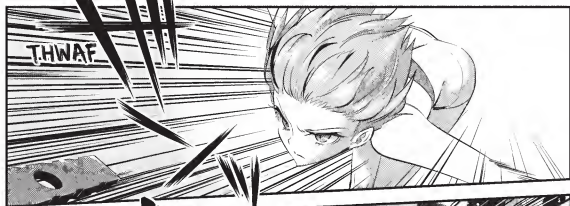
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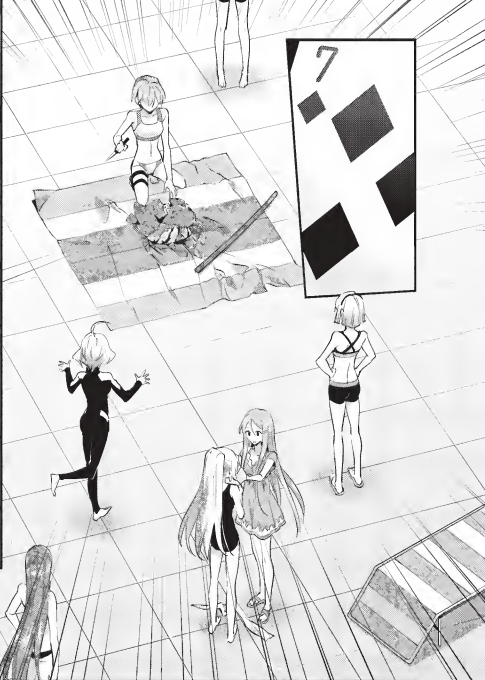
DOES THE
CHAIRPERSON
OF CLASS
BLACK REALLY
INTEND ON
KILLING
HARU?

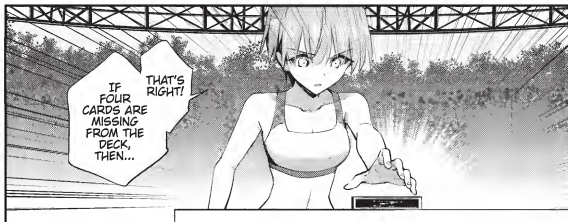
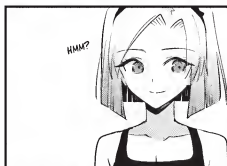


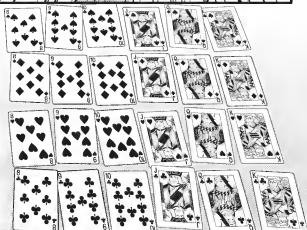
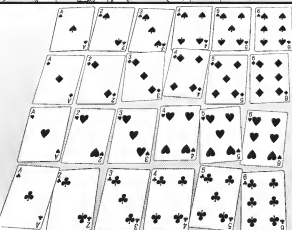
A LOW-LEVEL
PERSON LIKE
ME DOESN'T
KNOW
ANYTHING!!

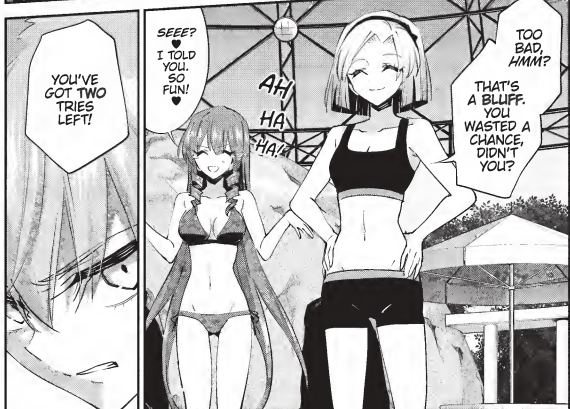
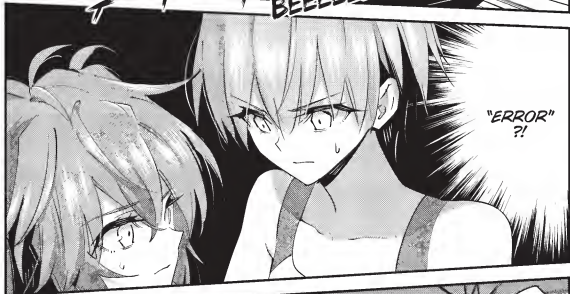














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THE DAYS I SPENT ON THE ANIME SIDE OF
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HAPPY.

FROM NOW ON, AS ONE FAN OF *AKUMA NO
RIDDLE*, PLEASE ALLOW ME TO CONTINUE
CHEERING ON MINAKATA-SENSEI AND
KOUGA-SENSEI FOR A LONG TIME!!

I LOVED ALL THE PEOPLE OF CLASS
BLACK, TO THE POINT THAT I COULDN'T
CHOOSE AMONG THEM, BUT I HAD THE
MOST FUN DRAWING THESE THREE.

FORGIVE ME FOR THE BAD HANDWRITING
AND RAMBLING PROSE.

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THANK YOU!

I
WANTED
TO SEE
MORE
OF
SHIENA-
CHAN.?

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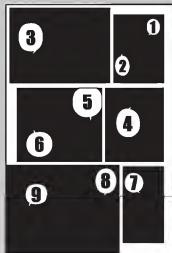
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not to be...
assassinated!**

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